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Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger's pen name of Julian Gordon is familiar to two continents. Her husband, the late Colonel S. Van Rensselaer Cruger, was a representative of one of the families of the old New York Knickerbocker aristocracy, and their home on Thirty-fifth street was a center for a brilliant circle of literary and musical dilettantes from the ultra fashionable set. Mrs. Cruger's first book, "Puritan and Patriot," made a distinct success. After it she published several volumes, among them "The Vampire" and "A Girl of Atlanta," both of which were well received.

Miss Alice Duer, now Mrs. Henry W. Miller, was one of the cleverest of the young actresses. She is the daughter of the late George Duer of New York, and is the sister of the witty and beautiful Lucy Duer, Duer of Washington's Court. Miller published a few years ago "A Book of Verse" which won her much favor with the critics, and she has greatly contributed a great deal to literature.

The most beautiful poetry which has been written for a long time by any American woman was that published a few years ago by Mrs. Spencer Trask, under the title "King Constantine." It tells the story of a knightly man and no better poem in gracefully flowing verse than this is laid in the records of history following upon the death of King Arthur and the closing of the round table.

Not only are the poems exquisite in beauty, but they are filled with original thought and are simple and easy to be expressed. The three hero Knights, Arthur, Lancelot and Chrystie, are brilliant types of manhood. The author's first published anonymous work in success was so great that she later affixed her name to that of the anonymous writer of "The Story of Fred Henry Stoddard," a tale of a high order, told in a style that is not given in evident on

any other page. It too met with a decided success. Now she has published another volume of short stories called "The Story of a Man," which, while not at all popular with the public, they are nevertheless in the magazine and newspaper columns of the country.

"The Story of a Man" is the most brilliant of modern fiction, and probably the best book ever written. It shows some very touching scenes of life in another world, and at the same time is that of the wildest life to humanity, the audience will doubtless be amazed.

Mrs. Trask was Miss Julia Nichols, a daughter of one of New York's old time business men. Mr. and Mrs. Trask reside in Brooklyn during the winter, spending the summer in New England, where they have built a handsome residence surrounded by a spacious park. The beautiful woodlands of the estate they have generously thrown open to the public.

Mrs. John Vinton Daggett is numbered among the women of leisure who have written excellent fiction. Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer of New York, whose story, "The Good Vizier of Manhattan," made interestingly with the Dutch colonial life of Manhattan, is a daughter of the late A. G. King of Washington, N. J., and a wife in New York society. In her mother's days she has given much time to lit-

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TORTURED AND ROBBED.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 27.—Abraham Johnson and wife, both over 80 years of age, were tortured and robbed at home in their home a short distance from here by a gigantic negro. Mrs. Johnson was almost totally paralyzed from the shock and her husband was half injured.

BOTH DISCHARGED.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 27.—A special to the news from Pagosa Springs, Colo., says Mr. Neff and Mrs. Myrtle Wright, aged with the murder of G. A. Barber down for the purpose of securing the services of his life, were today discharged at a preliminary hearing.

MURDERER CONFESES.

CENTRALIA, Ill., Dec. 27.—Julian Thompson, colored, who killed Gottlieb Melvin near Centralia, Christmas night, was arrested here and has confessed the killing.

RUMOR OF SURRENDER

BOERS STILL DODGING—Several Small Engagements—The Army Reform.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The war office began the promised reform of the army in a sensational manner and demanded the resignation of Major General Sir Henry Colville, commanding an infantry brigade at Gibraltar and recently commanding the ninth division of the South Africa field forces. Gen. Colville refuses to resign. He is now on his way to England.

KEEP THE BOERS MOVING.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The following from General Kitchener was received from Pretoria, under today's date:

"Yesterday 200 Boers attacked a small police post near Bobakerg. The police gallantly drove them off before reinforcements arrived from Johannesburg. The Boers have damaged mining machinery in that neighborhood."

The Boers attacked Utrecht at 2 this morning, but were driven off.

The Boers force in Cape Colony was headed yesterday and driven in the direction of Venterstad. The western force is still being driven north through Strydenburg."

AFTER DEWET.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The following has been received from Gen. Kitchener:

"Pretoria, Dec. 26—Osc. Koox with Baer, Plesser and White, engaged with Dewet's force, is holding the position. The production of winter wheat is estimated at 800,000,000 bushels, and that of spring wheat at 12,200,000 bushels, the area actually harvested being 26,235,897 acres in the former case and 16,239,488 acres in the latter. The winter wheat acreage totally abandoned in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, usually is planted on 3,623,787 acres; and the spring wheat acreage totally abandoned in North Dakota and South Dakota at 1,798,487 acres.

One of the four largest ever gathered yields of other grains.

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TO ATTACK BOXERS.

TIEN Tsin, Dec. 26.—A force of 1100 British troops with two guns and a Maxim, has gone to Tien Tsin to attack the Boxers in that vicinity and protect the railroad.

The Germans and Japanese are closing the river of pirates from Taku to Tien Tsin.

NEW YORK—Trava, from Bremen.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

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SALOONS ARE HELD UP

Two Hobos Play Role of Nervy Thieves and Empty Cash Drawer at Hartten's Saloon.

ONE OF THE ROBBERS WAS CAPTURED

By Officers Joe Fenton and Harry Peake After a Running Fight in Which Revolvers Were Freely Used
--The Other Robber Makes His Escape.

THE CAPTURED ROBBER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED

On the night of the year 1900 will long be remembered by the men who are in the police force and also will it be remembered by the fellows who happened to be in a saloon when a pair of hold-up men entered the place and did the hold-up in the most approved style. There were two who happened to be in North Water street about 9 o'clock when the police have a running fight with them. Some of those boys will long remember the feeling of suspense that comes upon them when they are faced with the report of six or seven men. Bullets were singing up and down.

About 9 o'clock last night there came a report to the police headquarters that the officers William Hartten at the corner of Water and Chloride streets had been held up by two men. Before the officers had become fairly familiar with the facts, there came another message saying that the saloon of John Anasene on First Water street had been held up. The police officers were stunned. Each reported that the robbers were heavily armed and were shooting indiscriminately.

DAY MEN CALLED.

At the first report of the robbery Chief Appleman called out all of the day men that he could conveniently reach and had them at work looking for the robbers. That had only been done when there came a report that a third saloon had been held up. The last report said that Max Buckwall, conducting a saloon at the corner of Water Avenue and Morgan streets was the victim. The last venture of the hold-up men indicated that they were going to Lodi. They entered the saloon shooting in.

WILD WEST STYLÉ

and ordered everyone out of the place. By that time Chief Appleman and Captain Lawrence were netted. The idea that three saloons could be held up by the same men in less than one hour was enough to say the least. The chief felt, however, that if the fellows kept up that gait it would be the question of less than one night until they were caught.

They could not go all over the city haphazard without meeting officers and when they did there was certain to be a fight that might put a stop to further hold-ups. Having been warned that the hold-up men used their revolvers freely the officers on the hunt were ready for a fight.

The description of the two men was always the same. They were roughly 6' 4". One of them wore a sandy mustache and had on a cap. The other fellow had on no overcoat that attracted attention. It was a faded reddish brown shirt and there was a hole in the back just over the hips. This hole seemed to have been burned to the cost.

MORE GRIEVE.

If these stories went out before enough for one night there came still another complaint. E. L. Hilde came into police headquarters between 8 and 9 o'clock and said that his horse and buggy had been stolen from the Tabora on Church street. At once the theft of the horse and buggy was connected with the hold-up men. The officer seemed to be getting over the city with such rapidity that the police were certain that they were either riding or that there was more than one gang at work. The developments later proved that the hold-up men were the ones who had stolen the horse and buggy.

WHEN DEX SMILED.

About 10 o'clock Chief Appleman smiled when he received a telephone message from Officers Fenton and Peake asking that the patrol wagon be sent to the corner of Water and Chloride avenue, where they were ready to deliver one of the two hold-up men. The wagon went out in a hurry and returned a few minutes later with a prisoner who has since been identified as one of the fellows who did the work.

AT PADDY HARTTEN'S FIRST.

Two Hold Up Men Went at It Like They Knew Their Business.

It was about fifteen minutes of eight that two quiet looking men with their overcoat buttons up walked into the saloon of Paddy Hartten at the corner of Chloride and Water street. The proprietor had half a dozen men sitting or standing about the stove back of the center of the room. The strangers walked back to the stove both of them having their hands in their overcoat pockets as though cold had stopped in front of the stove. They quietly stood in the room, and then with some motion that caused consternation to some of the spectators, they both drew their hands out of their pockets and along with the hands came four ugly looking revolvers. The two quiet looking strangers suddenly became very active and energetic.

PUT IT STRONG.

"Put it strong," said the two men stepped into the place, and one of them walking up to the bar ordered two beers. The other man walked back toward the crowd

at the table, brushing against Walter rather roughly as he passed him. Walter looked around to see who it was, and saw a rather rough looking man with a light mustache. Walter watched him as he walked back to the table where the men were sitting. He stopped close behind the chair where one H. T. Fowler was sitting and pulling a big revolver from his pocket vest.

"All you fellows line up against the wall." The man at the table did not notice the gun and thinking some joker was at work paid no attention. Then came the command accompanied by an oath and Fowler, who was closest to the stranger received a jolt on the jaw that caused him to tumble out of the chair. As he looked up a big gun was staring him in the face and he promptly marched toward the wall with the rest of the crowd. In the meantime the other stranger was standing at the bar waiting to be served with the beer, while the proprietor was drawing from a key. As Anasene set the beer on the bar the man standing in front of him raised a big revolver over the bar and ordered him to throw up his hands.

ANASENE WAS GAME.

Anasene is a sturdy old German and not the kind of a man to be easily bluffed, and the stranger had no sooner ordered him to give up than he placed up a heavy glass from the bar and threw it at the man with the gun, who avoided it, and the next second a shot from his revolver shattered the bottles on the sideboard back of Anasene, and he realized that he was up against a serious game. Anasene reached for a bottle to throw at his assailant and that was the signal for a volley of shots. The man is the rear of the saloon came to the assistance of his comrade and several shots from his revolver sent the shattered glass flying from the sideboard. The fusillade was getting so hot at that time that the crowd in the rear of the saloon bolted for the rear door and lost no time in getting out.

TOOK A PARTING SHOT.

The holdup men realized that they had made a failure of the job at that place and began breaking toward the door. Anasene had ducked behind the bar when the shots began coming so fast and as the men backed toward the door he raised his hand above the bar. One of the robbers turned and took a parting shot and the ball bored its way through the sideboard, not missing Anasene's head more than inch. The robbers left the place and walked east on Main street. Anasene followed them to the door and took the risk of reviving a shot, but the men disappeared without shooting again.

ONE GREW CURIOUS.

Then while one of the men walked deliberately behind the bar the other man held his gun on the crowd at bay against the wall. One of the men is Leo Ed Brown, by name, was curious enough to look around and as he turned his head struck him a rough blow along the side of the head with a revolver, leaving a mark on the young man's face. After that Brown kept his face turned toward the wall.

In the meantime the other stranger had quietly walked behind the bar and finding the cash register open he helped himself to the contents which consisted of the entire receipts of the day, an amount close to \$100. Then seeing every one peering into the window from the outside he began moving the bullet about back of the bar and placed one bullet of his in his overcoat pocket. He did not show any haste or nervousness in the work, although he lost no time about it. Glancing the drawer of all but several pieces of small change he walked out from behind the bar. He walked back to the rear door and said to his companion, "All right."

PARTING SALUTE.

As a parting salute the man who had been standing guard fired a shot from his revolver and then quickly followed his companion out through the back door. The men were in the saloon about three minutes when the proprietor of the restaurant, but he said it seemed longer than that, as soon as the fellows left the saloon Hartten sent word to his brother, Cully's son, a black feather Ruth, and also to the police station. Cully grabbed up a shot gun and ran to the scene of the robbery, but saw no one who looked like robbers. One man who came east on Hildreth street said he had passed two men just west of 10 rear down of the saloon walking rapidly. Another man saw two men walk north on Water street and jump a fence into the yard south of the Knapp confectionery. In fact it seemed that almost every person to that vicinity within the next few minutes was seen running suspiciously, and all having the appearance of holdup men. But just which way the men really went no one seemed to know.

LAW ON THE TRAIL.

Captain Lawrence and Officers Fenton and Sullivan appeared at the scene of the robbery and getting a description of the men started to pursue. Petty literate, the proprietor of the saloon, described the men as wearing overcoats and dark hats. One of the men wore a sandy mustache and both were rough looking customers. It was the opinion that he would be able to positively identify either of the men as sight.

AT THE ANASENE PLACE.

Proprietor Declined to Hold Up His Hands — Fired On.

Christmas business was rather interrupted at the hands of John Anasene, 621 East Main street, about ten minutes after the appearance of the hold-up men at the Anasene place. At that time in the evening there was quite a crowd of men in the Anasene place, one crowd of four or five being seated at a table near the stove playing cards and a man named Walser was standing at the bar talking to the proprietor, who is an aged German.

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EMPTIED HIS GUNS.

The officers are inclined to believe that the fellow who got away had emptied his guns before he disappeared. The affair occurred at the home of Bowles where Damer and Berlin Doctible, attempting to

get the robbers if possible. Fenton came into the street again just in time to give assistance to Peake. Peake saw the man or the ground and saw the flash of the revolver. His first thought was to help his brother officer and while thus engaged the other fellow got away. After the turn had been made into Leeland avenue, the man who got away, did the most of his shooting, always using a brace of revolvers.

HAD A RIG.

When the officers stood up on the road with their prisoners they understood why the fellows had turned into Leeland avenue in their flight. The captured robber had fallen beside a buggy. This rig proved to be the one stolen from the tannery and had been used by the thieves in getting about the city.

DECLINED TO TALK.

Captured Robber Is Sullen—Was Identified — Has Money.

The captured robber said that his name was James Wells and that he came to this country from Australia. There was no place to this country, he said, but he regarded as his home. Wells is a man about 35 years old, 5 feet 8 inches in height. His face has the appearance of long exposure to the weather. He looks a typical bum. His face was dirty and his clothes had the bloody hang of a tramp. In the headquarters he sat with Henry Fox, a prosperous farmer, in a saloon. Joe Davidson snatched a revolver in Fox's abdomen. Other shots were fired which probably mortally wounded Joe Fyant, a bystander. The brothers at once fled, and a small posse was at once sent after them. A few miles from town three men, Tippey, Orson and Holt, overtook the brothers and demanded their immediate surrender. A running fight took place and both brothers were wounded, one being shot through the eye and will probably die, while the other was badly wounded in the shoulder. Both were captured and placed in jail. It is thought that at least three of the wounded will die.

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CHRISTMAS CRIMES.

Brutal Father Shoots His Son for Protecting His Mother.

Wells was clad in genuine hobo style. All of the clothes he could carry he was wearing. He had on two pairs of trousers, two flannel shirts, two coats and an overcoat, and had a bandage bandkerchief about his neck. He had a .32 caliber revolver, six shots, with four chambers empty. In his pockets he had \$12.00 all in silver.

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John and Jules Davidson, brothers, were found dead in their home at 1020 Leeland avenue. The Davidson's were well known for their work in the construction of houses.

DR. J. S. APPLEMAN.

Bruner and Mitchell Wedding Wednesday at 10:30 A. M. at Hotel De Soto.

Other Vows Celebrated This Week.

Albert G. Bruner and Miss

TWO DESPERADOS

Clean Out the Little Town of Vergennes, Near Carbon-dale, Illinois.

THREE FATALLY WOUNDED

One of the Desperados Pursued by a Posse and Shot.

BLOOMINGTON RED CAUGHT

Man Who Robbed C. T. Johnston of His Silks Arrested in Chicago.

CARBONDALE.

Bears the Signature of

Castoria.

Music and women are often loved but seldom understood.

Pubnubbers prefer customers who have redeeming qualities.

Don't use any of the common tonics or DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Most of them are worthless or liable to cause injury. The original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a certain cure for piles, eczema, cuts, sores, burns, sores and skin diseases. J. E. King, N. L. Krone, Decatur Drug Co., C. F. Schilling.

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cepted and assume that we think you are not good pay. That is not the point. Good pay, bad pay or no pay, all papers not paid in advance will be stopped.

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THE HERALD, DECATUR, ILL.

MANY WEDDINGS

Just Been Celebrated In De-
catur During the Holiday
Season.

BRUNER-MENIFEE NUPTIALS

Ceremonial Wedding Wednesday—Stuffy
and ceremony Tuesday Even-
ing—Nicholson-Davis Marriage.

WEEKLY CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

John H. Bruner and Miss Nannie
Menifee were married Wednesday afternoon
in the home of the bride's parents, Mr.
John F. Menifee on East Eldorado.The ceremony was per-
formed by Rev. M. H. Spaldy of the
Methodist church, and was wit-
nessed by a company of about fifty persons
of general intimate friends.The groom is Rev. John Bruner of
the Methodist church of the groom and
the minister of Decatur. During
the ceremony an old orchestrion rend-
dered a short wedding march.There were a travelling dress of center
piece and a white silk trimmings and
carried a bunch of white roses. Miss Bruner wore
a white dress.The famous specialist, to visit our city
personally an excellent chance for the sick
and suffering. FREE Consultation and exam-
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WELLS IS IN JAIL

Waived Examination When
Charged With Assault With
Intent to Kill.

WERE READY FOR ROBBERS

Wells Gives Some Information About His
Pal for Whom the Police Are
Now Searching.

A CHICKEN PICKER NAMED WALKER

Joe Wells, the desperado arrested by
Officers Joe Weston and Harry Pease
Christmas night is now in jail under a
heavy bond. Wells was taken before
Justice O. W. Smith Wednesday. He
waived examination on a charge of as-
sault to kill and was placed under
bonds of \$4000 to await the action of the
grand jury.The charge against Wells was made
by Officer Pease and in the complaint he
charged Wells with assault with intent
to kill. That is but one of the
many charges that Wells may have to
answer before the authorities are
through with him. The saloon men who
have been able to identify him as one
of the holdup men are ready to make
charges against him and there will be
several other charges of assault with intent
to kill by the people who had to
dodge bullets fired by Wells. The horse
and buggy taken by the men from the
telegraph and found in their possession
is also grounds for another case.

WAS OUT ON PAROLE.

Bloomington Red Released From Peniten-
tary on Good Behavior.Several days ago an item was published
in the Herald to the effect that the man
who had robbed the Johnston dry goods
store of a quantity of silk had been identi-
fied by the police as "Bloomington Red," a
notorious crook who was run up from this
city in 1893 on a charge of burglary. The
identification was affected by means of a
photograph. This was shown to Mr.
Johnson and he recognized it as a like-
wise of the man who called at his store
during the day and made inquiries con-
cerning silk. The man of course, was
nearly getting his bearings so that he
would know what to do when the time for
him to work came. The thing that both-
ered the police was how "Red" had got
out of the penitentiary. He was sent up
for twenty years. Wednesday morning
Walker had just got back home after
his night's work, for the silk was found
in his home, and at the time he was
arrested he was in the act of carving a
big turkey for the benefit of a company
of friends and relatives who had
assembled at his home. The Chicago
police were investigating the arrest
and the chief suspect, Rev. M. H. Spaldy
of the Methodist church, was questioned
by the police.

WYCHOFF-SULLIVAN.

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ZURINS-LIGHTENBERGER.

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STOCKS.

Opening Was Not So Wild as
on Wednesday.

1 Push for People's Gas—Chicago Buy-
ing Large—the Local Transactions.

Day 27.—The opening of the
morning was not so wild as
yesterday. The market was quiet,
with changes in price about equally
in gain and loss. The
toward hesitancy, with
within a functional limit.
The opening was the
People's Gas. This rush,
was occasioned by the
of competition in the
The Chicago buying was
led to a covering by short,
the volume of buying larger
had the price still more.

THE VANDERBILTS.

A general buying was not generally
seen, but it is expected that
will follow involving
the interests, and the same
advance in the future of the
The price held firm after the
the market on gas showing no
tendency of way.

was the week sister of the start,
bright some enthusiasm from the
strength stocks and turned toward
later in the day. Missouri Pacific
was buying and the report of a
should early next year. The
in houses were buyers of
notably Reading.

Stocks up to now amounted to 683,500

and
Hargrave, stock broker, 21

now, assigned today.

Debtors traded stored in eight
getting in the day in People's
The majority of the buyers in that
good profits before the day was
held for still further ad-
C. L. got some attention; sugar
down. There were no investment
through that house aggregated
6,000.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND PROVISIONS.

Day 28.—
C. L. Hargrave,
McDonald, closing almost unchanged

McDonald, active, firm, closing
for the month with January 1st
1901, 34c to 36c.

McDonald, closing
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higher.

Held hay—
Timothy, new
Hired—
Old Corn
New Corn
Retail Price

BRAIN.

New Date... 24 to

or...

GROCERS MEET.

Executive Committee and Chairman Dis-
cuss the Convention.

At the city council room last night the
members of the executive committee and
the chairmen of the various other com-
mittees having in charge the work of pre-
paring for the coming state convention of
the grocers, held a meeting to discuss the
work in hand.

At the adjournment one of the mem-
bers said that their work was now at no
indiscrete stage and that not many things
could be positively announced. For in-
stance, invitations have been extended to
members in various parts of the state to
take part in the program by delivering ad-
dress on various subjects of interest to the
time. All of the replies have not been re-
ceived. Some of the men invited have
been compelled to decline and several
days must elapse before the committees
can tell just what the program will be.

Reports have been received from various
parts of the state and the impression is
that the coming convention will be largely
attended. The expectation is that there
will be at least 850 delegates present.

That is not all of the crowd that the
members of the local association hope to
draw. For the state members the railroad's
great reduced rates. The local association
will appeal to the railroads and ask that
on the occasion of the convention excus-
e rates be granted from all points with-
in a radius of 50 or 60 miles of Decatur.
If that does not the local association will
invite the merchants from all of those
towns to come to Decatur during the ses-
sion of the state legislature and have
the pleasure of meeting the men from
other parts of the state and be the guests
at one of the entertainments which will
be given.

One night during the convention there
will be a banquet and another night there
will be an entertainment of a musical
nature. The members of the association
say that there is sufficient high class
talent here to give a royal entertainment.
They pride themselves on the fact that
they will be able to entertain the mem-
bers of the state association with talent
absolutely local. The ball in which this
entertainment will be given is not yet de-
cided.

The date of the convention is February
5, 6 and 7.

PYTHIAN LODGE NEWS.

Annual Meeting of the Endowment Rank

—School of Instruction.

The annual meeting of Section 186,
Endowment Rank K. P., was held at
the castle hall of Countess Louisa Lodge,
No. 17. The section had 40 members with
\$7,500 insurance in force. During the
past year Harry Smock and William Ad-
ams, aged members of the rank, died
and their beneficiaries were each paid
\$200. These officers were elected for the
ensuing year: President, William P.
Shadley; vice president, E. G. Demaray;
secretary and treasurer, J. J. H. Young.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.

It is the purpose of the three Decatur
lodges to hold a Pythian school of in-
struction and arrange for a special session
of the grand lodge in the near future,
probably about the 15th of Feb-
ruary. Grand Chancellor Jowett and
Grand Master of Records and Seal Harry P.
Caldwell will be present. The
grand lodge rank will be conferred on all
past chancellors in the eight lodges in
Macon county now without the rank, and
the session will be one of special inter-
est to all Pythians.

PRODUCE.

Butter—Weak creamery 18c to 22c
Cheese—Deli, large, small, 18c to 22c
Figs—Troy, western, 18c to 22c

LIVESTOCK PRICES.

Chic... Dec 28—
Lamb... 18c to 22c
Sheep... 18c to 22c
Goats... 18c to 22c

Options closed over at 18c to 22c net lower.

Corn—Illinoian 23c per bushel
Feed—18c to 22c

Market—18c to 22c

Options inactive but steady.

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Cattle—Dec 28—
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NOT CONFIRMED

CASTELLANE'S TROUBLE.

Claim for Pay for Art Collection is Being Heard.

Paris, Dec. 26.—Before the first civil tribunal of Sénat today Maitre Bonnard read his speech before the 10th in behalf of Count and Comte De Castellane in the suit of Charles Werthmuller, the bien-brisé dealer of London to recover payment for art objects sold the defendants. Counsel set forth counter claim for the Castellanes, who demand a reduction of the debt, provisionally estimated to be at least 2,000,000 francs and restitution of the objects taken in exchange by Werthmuller under penalty of 1000 francs for each day's delay in returning them on the day of being sent, finally claiming damages of 300,000 francs. The counsel suggested that experts be appointed to appraise the articles involved.

Maitre Fould counsel for Werthmuller replied saying the authenticity of only 100 articles valued at 500,000 francs could possibly be questioned. While Werthmuller alleged the 7000 consigned to would consent to another expert examination, on an understanding the articles were declared spurious the 50,000 francs to be struck out of his bill but if they were declared genuine the Castellanes pay the full price nor would he be liable for the damage.

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In Order to Keep His Views on Public Questions Before the People.

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In conclusion he said: "Speaking for the democracy of Indians, and I believe for the rank and file of democracy every where, I want to say to all men interested in the party organization or reorganization of any attempt to topple over the splendid and heroic service rendered by that ungodly leader, and grand tribune of the people, William Jennings Bryan, in the campaign of 1896 and 1900 or to cast a stigma or reproach upon him in any degree, however slight, will meet with a quick and stern rebuke from the millions of democrats who followed his banner in those memorable contests. While the rank and file of the great democratic party have honored other leaders it loves Bryan, and will tolerate no action which contemplates his humility or looks to his retirement from the field of active politics."

The other speakers were W. M. Morning of Laclede; R. L. Metcalf of Omaha; Gov. W. A. Poynter, Hon. T. W. O. Cheeseman of Ashland; Congressman A. C. Shellabarger, David Overmyer of Kansas, and O. K. Ladd of Illinois.

Mr. Bryan leaves tomorrow for a tour of Kansas and Texas, combined with a hunting trip on the Gulf of Mexico near Galveston. He will return in time to speak at Omaha, January 7 and Chicago January 8.

CADETS ALL AGREE.

That Hazing Methods at West Point Are Not Brutal.

West Point, Dec. 26.—The military court of inquiry resumed the investigation of the alleged brutal hazing at West Point military academy this afternoon. Twelve witnesses were examined by Generals Brooke, Bates and Clues. They were all of the present first class, and classmates of former Cadet Bates. The witness were asked as to whether they held any conversation with the other cadets as to withholding testimony at the investigation, and all denied that such a thing had occurred. They said on the contrary that all cadets were anxious that everything be told.

Todays testimony was similar to that previously given by other cadets, all witnesses agreeing that hazing methods were not brutal or injurious.

LIKE HIS FATHER.

Young Rockefeller Begins Mating Do-nations.

New York, Dec. 26.—It became known today through a report made by the Baptist church of New York, that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., son of the president of the Standard Oil Company, has subscribed \$50,000 for the founding of an institution of learning for the poor boys and girls. The school is now in the course of erection in New York City.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, Dec. 26.—Laurentian from Glasgow; Allor from Naples; Anchors from Glasgow.

Liverpool-Pennland from Philadelphia.

Glasgow—Philadelphia, via St. John's, Newfoundland.

Queensland—Majestic, from New York for Liverpool.

Liverpool—Majestic from New York.

Plymouth—Graf Waldersee from New York for Hamburg via Oeberbourg and preceeded.

TEACHERS MEET.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 26.—Fifth annual convention of National Commercial Teachers' Federation began here tonight after L. E. Williams of Rochester, had responded to Mayor Murphy's welcome to behalf of 125 teachers present. W. C. Stevenson, of Port Deposit, Md., president of the federation, read the annual address. Stevenson made a plan for a more practical curriculum in the course of instruction.

HANDSOME ELKS' CRIME.

Chamberlain, S. D., Dec. 26—News has been received here from the Brule Indian agency, that Handsome Elk beat his squaw brutally with a neck yoke. The squaw probably will die. Elk then seized Bear Bird's daughter and raped her.

Arming himself he went into the hills, and left word that friend or foe must not approach him.

OUR GROWING INFLUENCE.

Berlin, Dec. 26.—In its yearly financial report the Frankfurter Zeitung points out that one of the most important facts of the last 12 months has been the growing influence of the United States over the entire situation of Europe.

READY FOR BUSINESS.

Montgomery, Dec. 26.—W. J. Sexton, who was elected governor of Alabama last November, but has been too ill to assume the duties of his office, today signed a Declaration of Recovery with the secretary of state.

POLICE MATTERS.

Officer Dunnigan arrested a man by the name of Dennis Keller at the Washington depot last night, who was drunk and making a nuisance of himself.

OPEN ANDRE'S WILL.

London, Dec. 27.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Copenhagen says: "Brother of Andre, the missing aeronaut, despairing of his return from Arctic regions, finally opened his will."

NEW TRUST COMPANY.

Dover, Del., Dec. 26.—The National Trust company of Delaware was incorporated here today with a capital of \$1,000,000. The headquarters of the

FINAL CLEAN UP

Residue of the L. B. Casner Estate Sold at Public Auction.

CHEAPEST LAND OFFERED

Whole Sections in Texas Sold for 17 1/2 Cts Per Acre—Thousands of Dollars Worth of Notes for \$17.

SOME GOOD REAL ESTATE IN THE LOT

Real estate, notes, accounts and other property belonging to the estate of the late L. B. Casner were sold at public auction yesterday afternoon by Assignees L. A. Miles of the courthouse. The face value of the property amounted to many thousands of dollars. The total of money realized amounted to \$408,500. It was a plan to get along. Pending land sold for 17 1/2 cents per acre and over six thousand dollars worth of notes, on time-considered good, sold for \$17, and the price was considered big at this time. There were two pieces of real estate, one on South Water street and one on West Main street, both well for prices, which the well informed real estate men say, brought excellent prices considering the fact that the property was offered at public sale. They say that the price realizing in the view of the fact that at present real estates has been selling at such low figures.

The sale practically winds up the affairs of the estate. Mr. Casner, who was at one time a wealthy farmer living in the town bearing his name to the east part of the county came to Decatur and engaged in the banking business, first with the Citizens' National Bank, and afterward with the Farmers' State bank. His business center in the latter institution was hundred. The bank failed about one year after it had been established. The others were closed in April 1890, and at the time the liabilities were placed at \$101,000,000, but subsequent events showed that they were in excess of this amount while the assets which had been placed at \$150,467,17反映 a deficit of \$85,000. When the failure occurred John A. Dawson was named as the receiver of the estate and filled that position for two years during which time he paid a dividend of 6 per cent. At the end of two years L. A. Miles was named to succeed Mr. Dawson, and he has paid dividends to a total of thirty-one per cent. With the proceeds of the sale of yesterday he expects to pay another dividend of ten per cent. It will likely be the last unless the long litigation should be decided favorably to the estate. In that event there will be another dividend of a small amount to divide among the claimants. The last dividend will not be ready for distribution before the first of February. The only thing remaining of the estate is a few claims, but they have been partially settled so that there is little or no chance of realizing anything more out of the estate. There was a time when the claimants did not expect that they would realize anything from the property, but the results show that they will get about 11 per cent when the last dividend shall have been paid, in all there are 290 claimants. Those who have watched the progress of the affairs of the estate are satisfied that it has been admirably handled and that the claimants are indebted to Mr. Miles for the good results that have been obtained. When he took charge of affairs the best property had already been disposed of in order to realize for the first dividend, and the staff left him to raise from meadow the work all the harder.

The sale was attended by a large number of persons, and the bidding was not very spirited except in the case of the Decatur real estate.

This was recognized as good property and a number of men present wanted it. The list of the property sold follows:

House and lot at \$10 South Water street, brick building, double house, ten rooms, assessed for \$20. A. G. Weber, \$175. Seven room house and 30-foot lot at 121 West Main street, \$195. John Welp, \$100. This house was built by Oscar Zimmerman, has hot water heat and modern conveniences.

Notes and accounts valued at from \$6000 even to \$6500. D. C. Gorley, \$17. Among the notes sold was one given by A. H. Forander, Jessie Davidson, Decatur Brick and Tile company, L. K. Kraut, Articular Frost, Washington, Iren, J. W. Heidinger, Scott Gregory, Orange, Putnam, T. Kirk, G. W. Bucklin, P. D. F. L. Miller, F. L. Taylor, William Turpin, now in the Klondike, and others, mostly master of fact none of them are creditable first class and yet there is a sense of making something out of the Garb. The notes range in amount from \$1000 to \$10,000.

Overdues amounting to \$1000 were sold to W. G. Ayres for \$5.

A number of judgments were sold to S. E. Parker for \$80. These judgments were against J. B. Hockensmith and William Morgan, G. W. Jones and J. W. Turner, Creighton Webb and the estate of J. K. Warren.

One hundred and seventy-five shares of the Decatur Tile company were sold to Milton Johnson for 20 cents.

Mr. Johnson also bought the claims of the estate against the makers of notes endorsed by Mr. Casner and presented against his estate, for \$10.

Two sections of Texas land were sold to J. M. Brownback for 17 1/2 cents per acre.

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YATES' PLANS.

Fred Rowe May Be Made Insurance Commissioner.

Gov.-Elect Yates was in Springfield the day after Christmas, but he will not be back there for nearly a week. Yesterday he was at Jacksonville. Friday he will be in St. Louis and Sunday, Monday and Tuesday he will be in Chicago. Wednesday and Friday of next week will be the only days that he will devote to Springfield. The stream of office seekers in still as great now and there is still much uncertainty as to what he will do in regard to the action that the governor will take, so far as known he has not made any pledges.

The gospel at the state capital now is to the effect that Fred Rowe, chairman of the republican state central committee will be made private secretary. It is understood then that he has been slated for the office of insurance commissioner, one of the best at the governor's disposal, but the term of Van Lier does not expire until May and it is said that until that time Mr. Rowe will act as private secretary to the governor in order that he may be close to him as one of his advisors.

New Rip Van Winkle.

For your American theatregoers have hastened "Rip Van Winkle" with Joseph Jefferson, until one thinks and speaks of the man and the character as one and the same. Now the public has the opportunity of seeing and listening to this old, and thoroughly American stage production is entirely new light. The presentation by Thomas Jefferson and his company is of special interest on account of the exceptional cast. Thomas Jefferson, who takes the part of Rip, is certainly most successful. He has evidently taken his father for the model but where could he find another so perfect? When he comes on the stage it seems as if the older Jefferson himself was there. His voice is that of his father, and his laugh recalls old associations with dear old Rip. His characterization leaves nothing to be desired, and if he is not his father he is as good as it is possible for any one else to be. This clever company will present "Rip Van Winkle" in Decatur January 12.

Home on a Visit.

Jockey Sam Bogart is at his old home in Oakwood, Vermillion county, on a visit to his parents before his departure to Austin, where he is under contract to work for a millionaire horse owner at a salary of \$3000 a year and expenses. Dogville has not been back home for a number of years and has been putting in his time going over the scenes of his childhood. He was born in a little old house in Oakwood where his family lived for many years, but now his parents have a much more pretentious house, bought with the earnings of their son. He keeps them in very comfortable style.

New Year's Day.

In the County Court VIII Be Called January 2.

In the county court on January 2 there will be a call of the cases on the people's docket and the defendants must be ready to plead or have their trial set for a certain date. There are many students of the docket some of them having been there for several years. The October grand jury returned a total of seventy-five indictments, a large part of which were for misdemeanors and they were all certified to the county court.

New Campers.

Mrs. Ella Miller will leave today for Milwaukee, Wis., where she will organize a camp of Royal Neighbors with 30 charter members. Saturday night she will organize a camp at DeWitt. Last week she organized two camp at the following places: Tuesday night at Tolono, with 23 members; Friday night at Belmont with 24.

Deeds Recorded.

S. D. May to Charles Wykoff lot 25 in block 3 in Oaklawn addition to Decatur; \$350.

Best for the Bowels.

No matter what kills you, headache to a cancer, you will never get well until your bowels are put right. CASQUETTS help nature cure you without a grip or pain, produce easy, natural movements, cost you just 10 cents to start getting your health back. CASQUETTS Candy Catalogue, the genuine put up in metal boxes, every tablet has C. C. C. on it. Beware for some time.

D.P. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP

Cures a Cough or Cold at once. Coughs Coughs, Whooping-Cough, Bronchitis, Grippe and Consumption. Quick, sure results. Dr. Hall's Pills are Substitute. Price, 50¢ per box.

If you are curious to know why Mrs. Lovett just pause and analyze your feelings when you see a keep-off-the-green sign.

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BROKEN BONES

And Hard Fall Result from the Slippery Walks of Thursday.

The relaxed state of Thursday left the walks in a slippery condition long enough to cause several serious accidents to say nothing of the hard falls and painful bruises. Mrs. John Ulrich was one of the victims. She slipped and fell just after leaving her home on West Decatur street. Miss Jeanette Powers, who was passing that way, saw her lying on the walk and called to Edward Powers, who happened to be passing and together they got her into her home, where she was attended by a physician. It was found that she had sustained a fracture on the back of her hand. When found Mrs. Ulrich was dazed as a result of her fall and it was some little time until she fully realized what had happened to her.

Mrs. S. L. Hill met with a similar accident on North Water street. She had stepped into the home of a neighbor, Mrs. Murphy, for a call, and upon leaving fell upon the pavement, fracturing the large bone of her left leg. The fracture was a serious one and will confine the victim of the accident to her home for a month or more.

For a short time the pavements were in very slippery condition and there were a great many persons who experienced hard falls but there were few serious accidents. Fortunately the ice melted away soon after dinner and the danger to pedestrians was removed.

THE RIGHT TO SUE JAS. DEWITT DEAD

Is Named as an Asset in the Estate of John McGonigle.

FATHER IS ADMINISTRATOR

Deceased Was a Brakeman on the Wabash and Was Killed at Knights' Siding in September Last.

NO ONE KNEW HOW IT HAPPENED

Taken From There to Home of His Late Brother in an Ambulance, Dying Soon After.

MRS. BOETTICHER DIES IN CHICAGO

James Dowlt died Thursday afternoon at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. George Dowlt, 624 West Decatur street. His death was sudden and was due to shock to his friends, and was due to heart failure resulting from exposure. He came home Sunday after visit to Clinton, and in a week was under the care of a physician. He did not go to his home, spending the holidays with his wife at their home near Niantic.

Mrs. Florence Oehler is visiting relatives near Niantic.

Mrs. Emily Woodberry, of Danville, was here among friends Monday evening.

Joe Worthy returned home from Hot Springs, Ark., on Saturday last.

Rev. Edna Werner visited relatives in Decatur last week.

John Fremon returned home from Danville, Iowa, where he has been attending school.

Mrs. Lillian Thomas visited with Pierce friends the first of the week, she attended the Christmas entertainment there.

Mrs. Gus Morris was a Decatur visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Fulton was in Decatur Thursday.

McNutt was a Tuscola visitor on Friday last week.

Mrs. Luis and family are visiting relatives near Monticello.

Mrs. G. W. Botts is visiting her sister at Hooperstown, Ia.

Calvin Fisher visited Corra Gordo friends last week.

Mrs. Paula Non, of Chicago medical college, is home with her parents during holidays.

There will be a silver model contest given to by temperance workers on New Year's day.

The High school will give an entertainment at the hall next Tuesday night. Everybody invited to attend.

Dec. 27.

MIT. PULASKI.

W. A. Schaefer and wife were in Decatur Christmas day visiting the family of Frank Arnold.

Mrs. Ima Graham, of Decatur, arrived Tuesday for a short visit with her cousin, Mrs. Mae Fowler.

Mrs. Julia Glass, of Springfield, is visiting her parents, Gustave Waldenbacker and wife.

Mrs. Lizzie Vonderloft, who has been in Jonesville, Mich., the past four months, acting as a trimmer, has arrived home.

Christmas dance was given in Sycamore opera house.

Miss Anna Wacker, who is teaching school at Kilbourne, came home for the holidays, accompanied by Mrs. Ruth Smith.

Mrs. Helen Geppa and Jessie Maxwell, of Topca, Kansas, are enjoying a holiday visit with friends in this city.

David Nichols and daughter, Miss Lillie, of Peoria, are visiting the family of banker Robert Abtihal.

I. C. Agent James Boyle and wife, of Belleville, ate Christmas dinner with her parents.

Mr. Heintz Boetticher, wife of Rev. J. T. Boetticher, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marmaduke, in Riverdale, Ill., on Wednesday night after illness of several days. The remains were brought to this city Thursday morning and removed to the home of E. H. Beckman, 607 North Morgan street. The time of the funeral will be announced later. Mrs. Boetticher was widely known in this section of the state where she resided for many years. For a long time her husband was a German Lutheran preacher residing in Mt. Pleasant. She had lived here for over twenty years and had a wide acquaintance here. She was the mother of Mrs. F. H. Bachman, and Mrs. H. Burmister of Riverdale, Ill. She is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. Macmillan, of St. Albans, Wisconsin, Mrs. Fannie Lester of Quincy, Illinois, and one brother, Herman Waldecker, of Iverness, Missouri.

The deceased was a most excellent woman. She was devoted to her children and her husband, and in the community to which she lived she gained the respect of all who knew her. In every place in which she lived she leaves friends who will deeply deplore her death.

MISS NELLIE COOK.

Beasley, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McCool died at 1 p. m. on Thursday at the family residence, 622 West Corra Gordo street.

Her death was due to an attack of lung fever. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 1 p. m. and the remains will be taken to Mt. Zion for burial.

DR. T. S. HOSKINS, DENTIST.

Former Decaturites Killed by a Lake Shore Train.

Yesterday Captain Fletcher Lawrence received a letter from Chicago asking if he could give any information concerning the relatives of Charles Ramsey who one day last week was killed on a street crossing by a Lake Shore train on December 22, and the body was still in the morgue in the hope that some of his relatives might be located.

Captain Lawrence will send the information that Ramsey is supposed to have a sister living in Jacksonville, Fla.

WANTED—Everybody to know that you can get the best meal for 15¢ that you pay 25¢ up town at Myer's restaurant, 415 N. Water St.—Nov. 27—Wm. w.

FOR SALE—Farm of 100 acres in Platt county, 5 miles southeast of Carrollton. Well improved, thoroughly tiled. Can also direct you to good land and good 80 acre place. A. W. Miller, 103 N. Franklin, Decatur, Ill.—Dec. 21-22.

FOR SALE—Plymouth Rock securities. Value reasonable. Mrs. W. Brightwell, Mt. Zion, Ill.—Dec. 21-22.

MONEY TO LOAN—We do general loan business and are prepared at all times to accommodate you for any amount you want on honest, easy terms. Farm implements or stock, etc. We will hold your grain for better prices if you have a old loan owing due and want to save something in the way of rates call and see us. We can save you money. Geo. W. Ellsworth loan broker, 187 N. Water St.—Nov. 27-28.

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